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SUBJ: MIYAZAWA VISIT: AGENDA TOPIC TWO - SECURITY RELATIONS

REF: TOKYO 4289

1. AT APRIL 7 MEETING WITH CHARGE, AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRGEN
YAMAZAKI PROPOSED FOLLOWING LANGUAGE FOR AGREED PRESS GUIDE-
LINE TO BE USED (SEE PARA 5 REFTEL) AFTER KISSINGER-MIYAZAWA
TALKS:

"IT WAS MUTALLY RECOGNIZED THAT THE CONTINUED MAINTENANCE
OF THE TREATY OF MUTUAL COOPERATION AND SECURITY BETWEEN
JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES WOULD SERVE THE LONG-TERM INTER-
EST OF BOTH COUNTRIES. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE SECRETARY RE-
ASSURED THAT, UNDER THE TREATY, THE U.S. WOULD CONTINUE TO
PROVIDE JAPAN WITH A NUCLEAR DETERRENT AND TO ABIDE BY ITS
COMMITMENT TO DEFEND JAPAN AGAINST ANY ARMED ATTACK FROM THE
OUTSIDE."

2. YAMAZAKI SAID THAT FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD USE THIS LAN-
GUAGE HIMSELF IN PRESENTATION TO PRESS AND DIET SUBSEQUENT
TO TALKS WITH SECRETARY. HE WOULD NOT GO BEYOND SUBSTANCE OF
GUIDELINE.

3. YAMAZAKI EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE THAT FONOFF COULD HAVE US
REACTION TO PROPOSED LANGUAGE BEFORE FONMIN TAKES OFF FOR
WASHINGTON (1445 LOCAL TIME APRIL 9).

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4. COMMENT: PROPOSED LANGUAGE APPEARS BOTH MANAGEABLE FOR US AND RESPONSIVE TO LOCAL POLITICAL NEEDS. JAPANESE SIDE ORIGINALLY HAD SOME THOUGHT TO MENTION A SPECIFIC TIME SPAN IN CONNECTION WITH VALIDITY OF SECURITY TREATY TO COVER THE CONCERN ABOUT THE DISPARITY BETWEEN THE ONE-YEAR RENEWABLE CHARACTER OF THE MST AND THE 20-YEAR LIFE OF THE NPT. MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF "LONG-TERM INTEREST" MENTIONED IN FIRST SENTENCE IS A PALE AND UNOBJECTIONABLE EXPRESSION BY COMPARISON. COMMITMENT IN SECOND SENTENCE TO DEFEND JAPAN FROM ANY ARMED ATTACK FROM THE OUTSIDE COMES FROM JOHNSON-SATO COMMITMENT OF JANUARY 13, 1965. LANGUAGE PLEDGING US TO PROVIDE NUCLEAR DETERRENT IS NEW, BUT JAPANESE POINT OUT THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH SUBSEQUENT US CLARIFICATIONS THAT "ANY ATTACK" INCLUDES NUCLEAR ATTACK AS WELL.
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